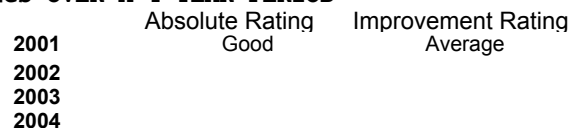


ABSOLUTE RATING: Good
IMPROVEMENT RATING: Average

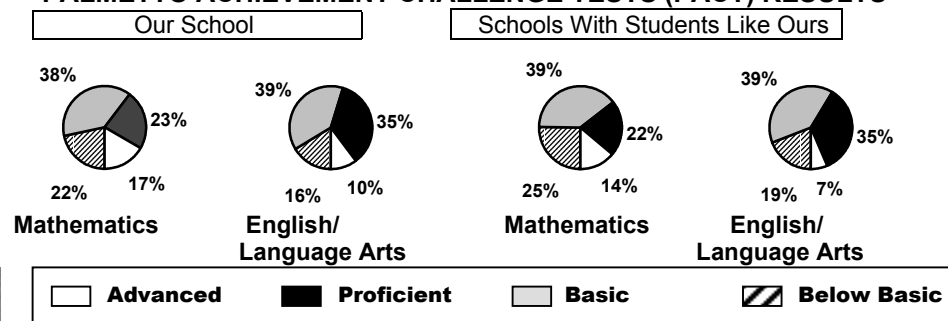
Number of middle schools with students similar to ours: 25. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from average to excellent. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to average.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD



(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- **Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- **Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- **Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- **Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on 2004 School Report Cards. Social studies scores are to be reported on 2005 School Report Cards.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT

Student Group	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
All students (n=633)	83.6%	78.2%	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than Speech (n=68)	45.6%	29.4%		
Students without disabilities (n=563)	88.5%	84.1%		
Gender				
Male (n=338)	82.2%	77.3%		
Female (n=293)	85.7%	79.3%		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=34)	82.4%	67.6%		
Hispanic (n=2)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=593)	84%	79.2%		
Other (n=2)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=147)	64.6%	59.2%		
Pay for lunch (n=484)	89.7%	84%		

SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Middle School
SCHOOL				
• Dollars spent per student	\$3,844	N/A	\$4,584	\$5,127
• Prime instructional time	90.6%	Up from 88.6%	90.6%	89.6%
• Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	24.3 to 1	N/A	24 to 1	21.4 to 1
STUDENTS (n=669)				
• Attendance rate	96.1%	Up from 95.8%	96.2%	95.7%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	3%	N/A	2.6%	4.5%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level	3.6%	N/A	2.3%	4.0%
• Retention rate	0.1%	Up from 0%	1.7%	4.5%
TEACHERS (n=39)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	6.7 Days	Down from 7.5	7.4 Days	8.0 Days
• Attendance Rate	95.4%	Up from 94.1%	95.4%	95.2%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	43.6%	Down from 45.8%	52.2%	45.8%
• Continuing contract teachers	94.9%	Up from 85.4%	84.9%	80.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	No change	1.8%	2.4%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	85.1%	Down from 90%	85%	83.7%
• Average teacher salary	\$38,659	Up 5.3%	\$38,658	\$37,455

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Middle School
SCHOOL				
• Dropout rate	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	61.9%	N/A	62.4%	61.5%
• Principal's years at the school	2	N/A	3	3.0
• Parents attending conferences	99%	N/A	65.1%	78.2%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
• On academic plans	N/A	N/A	31.8%	45.8%
• On academic probation	N/A	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Older than usual for grade	1.5%	Up from 0.7%	2%	4.5%
• Suspended or expelled	16	N/A	9	15
• Enrolled in high school credit courses	11.5%	N/A	25.5%	13.2%
• Gifted and talented	19.9%	Down from 20.2%	22%	12.1%
• With disabilities other than speech	11.6%	Down from 11.8%	10.8%	13.6%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

This has been an outstanding year at Wren Middle School. Our students performed well academically and artistically. We successfully met the challenge of moving our fifth grade to the elementary level, thus becoming a true middle school comprised of grades 6-8. Among our many accomplishments are the following:

- * 10 students received awards at the Regional Science Fair.
- * 28 students were nominated for the Talent Identification Program.
- * 34 students were nominated for the Junior Scholars Program.
- * 13 students received awards in the PTSA Reflections Cultural Arts Contest.
- * An EIA Teacher Grant was funded to improve social skills.
- * WMS received a 21st Century Learning Grant in the amount of \$160,000 to establish a Community Learning Center.
- * All classrooms are equipped with computers that have Internet access.
- * All Wren Middle School students participated in the District Writing contest.
- * All students and parents participated in Career Action Planning conferences.
- * A full-time Resource Officer was employed to ensure the safety of our school.

All of our interim goals from our school renewal plan were met. We continue to focus on standards-based instruction, aligning the curriculum and the instructional program to South Carolina Achievement Standards, and the integration of skills across the curriculum. Three of our teachers received National Board Teacher Certification, and two teachers are currently pursuing this certification. We continue to set an example for students locally as well as nationally through our status as a Service Learning Leader School. All students are involved in Service Learning activities, and 100% of WMS teachers have been trained in the concept of Service Learning. We also appreciate a strong PTSA and School Improvement Council. Our PTSA has provided funds for technology in the classrooms, school security, school beautification, and instructional materials. Our current PTSA has tremendously increased the opportunities for parental involvement at Wren Middle School. Wren Middle School is a community of learners emphasizing academics, service, and the fine arts. Our students have diverse opportunities enabling them to develop skills that will ensure success throughout their educational careers.

Robin R. Fulbright, Principal

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	82.9	73.3	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	94.3	79.6	
Satisfied with home-school relations	91.4	84.0	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Wren Middle
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Grades 6-8 Middle School

Enrollment: 669 Students

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Dr. W. R. Christopher 864-847-7344

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade:
Good



South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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